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medical report dated Lhasa, 22nd September, on the condition of the wounded officer said: Captain A. W. G. Young, I. M. S., is doing well.

Vin. Gyantse, September 24.—We left Lhasa yesterday. On the afternoon of the 22nd the Amban and Shapag paid ceremonial visits to Colonel Young, his wife and General Macdonald. The Te Rinpoche, the leading lama of Tibet, presented General Macdonald with a figure of Buddha, and put his hands over him in blessing and expressing his thankfulness that he had spared the monasteries and respected the religion of the country. Several speeches were made in appreciation of the General's money and moderation, and prayer was offered for his safe journey. The Te Rinpoche is a benignant and cultured priest and during the negotiations proved himself the most courteous and reasonable of the lamas and in various directions also his good sense was shown, in a country where the qualities are rare. The Shapag and the Nepal Resident erected the passing officers with tea and cheroots. The utmost good feeling prevailed. Colonel Young's husband is due in Simla on the 18th. He leaves the main body to-morrow and makes double marches. We are due at the ferry about the 28th and Gyantse about the 9th.

JAPAN AND CHINA.

The *Edinburgh* publishes an interesting interview with a French official, who has just returned from the Far East, concerning the general situation in China, and the effect produced by the Japanese successes. Although the name of the official is purposely withheld, it is not improbably M. Francis, the energetic Consul in the Yunnan district.

He says that the present calm which prevails in China is more apparent than real. Strict orders from Peking have urged the Mandarins to watch that no troubles break out. But these orders do not prevent the Chinese being completely pro-Japanese. Every Japanese success must have an immense influence throughout the country, and everywhere throughout the Middle Kingdom the defeat of the Russians is being commented on. As Mukden is approached, greater interest than ever must be taken in events, and the Peking Court must anxiously await the news whether the possession of the famous treaty of its ancestors is to pass from the hands of the Russians. This authority says it will be curious to note what the Japanese do when they reach there. It is probable that they have long since made promises to the Chinese in the eventuality of the sacred city falling into their hands.

The *Edinburgh* further says that the work of the Japanese in China is immense, and its effects are already striking and disquieting for Europeans. Everywhere Japanese are to be found organising the country and instructing the people. These instructions act as spies, and have even been pushed down to the French Tonkin frontier. He adds, in conclusion, "Wisdom should warn us, Frenchmen not for a moment to lose sight of the necessity of organising the defenses of our Indo-Chinese Empire."

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MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.
Auction.
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Lands at the
Public Works Department's Office.
Amusements.
9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

General Memoranda.
TUESDAY, October 18:—
Goods per *Benlader* undelivered after
this date subject to rent.
THURSDAY, October 20:—
Noon—Meeting of Union Insurance So-
ciety of Canton, Ltd., at Head Office.
FRIDAY, October 21:—
Noon—Meeting of Shareholders of Can-
ton Insurance Co., Ltd., at Messrs Jardine,
Matheson & Company's Office.
Goods per *Macaron* not cleared at 4 p.m.
on this date subject to rent.
SATURDAY, October 22:—
2 p.m.—Dance for Ministering Children's
League on Volunteer Parade Ground.

IT IS DANGEROUS to neglect a cold.
Pneumonia is one of the most danger-
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On September 17, at Kulling, to J. K.
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On October 9, at 30, Range Road,
Shanghai, the wife of J. W. H. JOHN, of
a Son.
DEATH.
On October 18, at Shanghai, FLORENCE
C. NUNN, widow of the late Charles Nunn,
formerly of Chinkiang; aged 58 years.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

All business communications for this
office should be addressed to THE MAN-
AGER.
Communications intended for publication
should be addressed to THE EDITOR, and
not to any person by name.
We cannot undertake to return rejected
communications.
Any communication not accompanied
by the signature of the writer will be
rejected without consideration.
All communications must be legibly
written upon one side of the paper.
Telephone, No. 2.

The question is what
effect will the check
to the Russian land
advance have upon
the Baltic fleet which has been for a
year, almost, threatening to come to
the East, and which is said to be even
now under steam. So far as we are
concerned we never had the slightest
faith in the Armada. Long ago
we expressed the belief that it
would never touch Eastern waters,
and even if it has started the chances
are that its progress will now be stop-
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cumstances it would probably have
failed to reach the Indian Ocean, and,
indeed, sceptical English papers be-
lieve it will never get as far as Suez.
In September last the *Standard* wrote
'We venture to predict that it will
never get as far as Suez, and, perhaps,
not beyond Gibraltar.' If it did reach
Chinese waters it would only be to give
Admiral Togo opportunities to add to
his catalogue of successes. The fact
seems so obvious that we cannot credit
the Russian Government with any real
intention of sending their last
Maritime reserve to destruction. On
the continent the press is equally
dubious about its success, and in
Vienna the departure of the fleet is
generally regarded as a very risky
undertaking. The *Neue Freie Presse*
says: 'We may believe in the begin-
ning of the cruise of the Fleet, but
between its departure and its arrival
at the seat of War what is not possible
and probable? The Japanese, hearing
of the departure of the Squadron, will
do whatever is within human power to
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Fleet, say the middle of November,
Vladivostok may already be ice-
bound, where will the Squadron find a
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improbable conditions, chiefly on the
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it right of Russia, therefore, to expose
her last Fleet to such risks? And in
Berlin feeling is what might be de-
scribed as mixed. Whilst it cannot be
seen where the fleet will rest, its de-
parture is taken to indicate that Russia
is not yet discouraged. On the subject
the *National Zeitung* says: 'It may
well be wondered what this Fleet is to
do in the Far East, for it arrives there
in the beginning of November, when
the port of Vladivostok, being ice-
bound, cannot offer it no shelter, and by
that date Port Arthur will have prob-
ably fallen to the Japanese. The
assumption made by some that the
Fleet is destined not for the Asiatic
but for the Japanese coasts, in order
to blockade the Japanese ports, is
rendered questionable by the difficulty
of undertaking such a task without a
base; although, of course, if the Fleet
could succeed in seizing such a station,
the danger to the Japanese would be
great. In any case, the departure of
the Fleet is a sure sign that the Rus-
sians are not in the least discouraged,
and are determined to continue the
struggle.' So far as the Russians are
concerned they have great faith in the
ultimate success of the fleet and
answer newspaper criticism quite
easily. One Russian holding a promi-
nent position has explained the
objects to be attained by the squadron
as follows:—'The question of coaling,
we think, he says, we have solved, and
a naval base is not so indispensable as
the newspapers believe. It will always
be possible to find a quiet harbour on
the China coast or elsewhere, and the
Fleet will have to be more on the high
seas than in port. Its task is to be
ubiquitous, and its usefulness will be
found in its presence in the vicinity of
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Russian, however, has overlooked the
fact that possibly China may object to
any of her 'quiet harbours' being
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If the Japanese continue to smash up
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doing the victory will be decisive and
complete, and the campaign will be
concluded for this year at least. This
collapse will no doubt mean the recall
of Kuropatkin and the substitution of
some other 'wonderful general.' Before
Kuropatkin entered upon his duties as
Commander-in-chief he was a 'wonder-
ful general' in the eyes of the people.
Now, he will be the butt of the very
same people's jokes, and against him
all manner of accusations will be
made by those in high places. As
Shakespeare says:—
'The strange how many unimagined charges
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